Exhibit A

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

SECURITIES INVESTOR PROTECTION CORPORATION,

No. 08-01789 (SMB)

Plaintiff-Applicant,

SIPA LIQUIDATION

V.

BERNARD L. MADOFF INVESTMENT SECURITIES LLC,

(Substantively Consolidated)

Defendant.

In re:

BERNARD L. MADOFF,

Debtor.

IRVING H. PICARD, Trustee for the Liquidation of Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC,

Plaintiff,

Adv. Pro. No. 09-1161 (SMB)

v.

FEDERICO CERETTI, et al.

Defendants.

ORDER GRANTING DEFENDANT KINGATE FUNDS' MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE THEIR AMENDED ANSWER

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THIS MATTER, having come before the Court on the Motion for Leave to Amend Their Answer ("Motion for Leave"), filed by defendant Kingate Global Fund Limited ("Kingate Global") and defendant Kingate Euro Fund, Limited ("Kingate Euro" and together with "Kingate Global", the "Kingate Funds"), it is hereby ORDERED that the Motion for Leave is GRANTED. The Kingate Funds' Amended Answer, attached to the Declaration of Robert S. Loigman, is considered to have been filed as of the date of entry of this Order.

Dated: _____, 2017 New York, New York

> HONORABLE STUART M. BERNSTEIN UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE